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## EDUCATIONAL

Several New Facts in the Controversy Which  
Our Readers Will be Glad to  
Find Out.

By W. J. STANDEFER, Pound, Va.

Being a constant reader of the Eagle I have noticed the controversy as to the education of girls with considerable interest, and believing this most vital subject will ever prove interesting I write you a short article.

I certainly believe in education, for both boys and girls, and that their education should be equal in every respect, with perhaps the exception of manual training and business; even in manual training they should have the most thorough instruction in all branches that pertain to domestic and household duties. In all the academic and classical branches I believe the education of both sexes should be equal, for no woman can fully appreciate the aims and ambitions of her husband unless she is equally educated.

Let a man marry a woman who is his inferior in education and misunderstanding is almost sure to result; besides, education gives a better understanding of nature, a fuller appreciation of the beautiful in nature, a broader view of life as a whole. It increases the capacity for enjoyment of the things that are good in this world and enables us to shun the things that are evil; for it is only through knowledge of good and bad that we can separate them and accept the good and reject the bad.

I believe that the inculcation of high and noble ideals is or should be the primary aim of every institution of learning in the United States. Let every teacher, every school official, make this of prime importance, let it be impressed on the mind of every teacher and every patron that the prime object of education is not to stuff the brain full of facts and figures, but to produce citizens of the highest moral character combined with intelligence, and when this result has not been obtained education has failed of its purpose entirely.

What we want is a citizenship that is intelligent and of a high moral character, and we must have it if we are to maintain the priceless heritage bequeathed to us by our forefathers—the independence of the great American republic and the liberties of the people that constitute it.

There are strong tendencies toward imperialism and monarchy in this great republic today, and if our schools do not or can not change this dangerous trend into other and safer channels it will result sooner or later in the destruction of all our most cherished institutions, and if our women are not educated the process will perhaps be much slower, for the mother and the wife are the most potent factors in the forming of character. If our girls grow up into womanhood without the refining influence of education how can we expect their children to be refined and intelligent men and women?

Now, young girls and women, remember that we are not living in the mediaeval age when women were but household slaves but in the enlightened and progressive twentieth century where women are occupying positions of the highest responsibility. We

have women lawyers, doctors and officers of various kinds, in fact they are now engaged in nearly every profession and trade known to mankind.

So do not let yourself be deluded into the belief that woman's sole sphere is in the house, Wake up to the importance of education and do not spend your younger years in chasing that delusive phantom—pleasure—but make use of every moment in study and improvement; cultivate your mind and prepare to enjoy life in a fuller measure than you can possibly gain by mere gratification of the animal passions. Prepare to be the wives of men, not the wives of mere ignorant degenerates whose sole pleasure is the gratification of their animal passions and whose greatest ambition is to be a good gambler or a drunkard.

Now let us all put our shoulder to the wheel. Let us all stand firmly for advancement and progress, not for degeneracy and ignorance. Let us give our best efforts for the uplifting and the betterment of the human race and I am sure we shall reap a rich reward in the consciousness of duty well done and a feeling of safety for the welfare of future generations and the safety of their liberties.

### Commissioner's Sale

J. H. Frazier, Plff., vs. R. O. Brashears, etc., Deft., and R. O. Brashears, plff., vs. J. H. Frazier, deft.—Equity.

By virtue of a judgment and order of sale of Letcher Circuit Court rendered at its Sept. term 1908 and also by virtue of another judgment of said court rendered at its Nov. term 1893 in above styled action I shall proceed to offer for sale to highest and best bidder at public auction, at Courthouse door in Whitesburg Ky. on Jan. 11, 1909, at 1 o'clock or thereabout, on a credit of six months the following described property to wit:

Said property lies in the town of Whitesburg, Ky. and is bounded on the north by Main street, on west by Manerva Brashears' lot, on south by northfork of Kentucky river, on east by lots of J P Marrs and J H Frazier.

For the purchase price the purchaser will be required to execute bond with approved security having the force and effect of a judgment and a lien will be reserved on the property until all the purchase price is paid and bearing legal interest from date until paid. Bidders will be prepared to comply promptly with these terms.

J. W. Hale,

C. L. C. C.

### County Clerk's Notice.

That all deeds, mortgages, etc. filed for record in the Letcher County Court Clerk's office, are now of record, and all persons who have such papers will please call and get same on or before Jan. 11, 1909, or else I must collect as the law directs in such cases.

Respectfully,  
Andrew J. Sturgill,  
C. L. C. C.

## Literary Gems

(Selection and introduction by Judge S. E. Baker)

The poem entitled, "The Beautiful Snow," is justly placed among the gems of our literature but there are perhaps many readers of the Eagle who are not familiar with the history of it and perhaps none who know the name of its author. The manuscript of the poem was found among the personal effects of a young woman of perhaps twenty-two years of age, highly educated, richly endowed by nature, and possessing rare gifts, but, alas, who had in an evil hour yielded to temptation and for several years had led a life of shame. She was found upon the streets of Cincinnati on a cold night in the winter of 1862 and taken to the Commercial Hospital where she died, and on the following Sunday morning the poem was published for the first time in the "National Union." Such in brief is the history, as remembered by the writer, and it is given for what it is worth. Below is the manuscript as found:

### THE BEAUTIFUL SNOW.

"Oh, the snow! the beautiful snow,  
Filling the sky and earth below!  
Over the housetops, over the street,  
Over the heads of people you meet,  
Dancing—  
Flirting—  
Skimming along.  
Beautiful snow, it can do no wrong;  
Flying to kiss a fair ladies' cheek,  
Clinging to lips in frolicsome freak,  
Beautiful snow from the heavens above,  
Pure as an Angel, gentle as love.  
Oh, the snow! the beautiful snow!  
How the flakes gather and laugh as they go,  
Whirling about in its maddening fun,  
It plays in its glee with every one,  
Chasing—  
Laughing—  
Hurrying by.  
It lights on the face and it sparkles the eye,  
And e'en the dogs with a bark and a bound,  
Snap at the crystals that eddy around,  
The town is alive, and its heart is aglow,  
To welcome the coming of beautiful snow.

How the wild crowd goes swaying along,  
Hailing each other with humor and song!  
How the gay sleighs like meteors flash by,  
Bright for a moment, then lost to the eye.  
Ringing—  
Swinging—  
Dashing they go,  
Over the crest of the beautiful snow;  
Snow so pure when it falls from the sky,  
To be trampled in mud by the crowd rushing by,  
To be trampled and tracked by thousands of feet,  
Till it blends with the horrible filth of the street.

Once I was pure as the snow, but I fell,  
Fell, like the snowflakes from heaven to hell!  
Fell, to be trampled as filth of the street;  
Fell, to be scoffed, to be spit on and beat.  
Pleading—  
Cursing—  
Dreading to die,

Selling my soul to whoever would buy;  
Dealing in shame for a morsel of bread,  
Hating the living and fearing the dead,  
Merciful God, have I fallen so low?  
Yet once I was pure as the beautiful snow!

Once I was fair as the beautiful snow,  
With an eye like its crystals, a heart like its glow,  
Once I was loved for my innocent grace—  
Flattered and sought for the charms of my face.  
Father—  
Mother—  
Sisters—all;

God and myself, I lost by the fall!  
The veriest wretch that goes shivering by,  
Will make a wide sweep lest I wander too nigh;  
For of all that is on or about me I know,  
There is nothing that's pure but the beautiful snow.

How strange it should be that this beautiful snow  
Should fall on a sinner with nowhere to go,  
How strange it would be, when night comes again  
If the snow and the ice struck my desperate brain;  
Fainting—  
Freezing—  
Dying alone—

Too wicked for prayer, too weak for my moan  
To be heard in the crash of the crazy town,  
Gone mad in the joy at the snow's coming down;  
To lie and die in my terrible woe,  
With a bed and a shroud of the beautiful snow!"

## QUEER THINGS--THESE--

The man who can't remember his wife's birthday.  
The man who labors under the delusion that his wife's money belongs to him.  
The man who thinks a woman is "fixed for the season" if she has a new gown.  
The man who talks of "supporting" a wife when she is working fourteen hours a day, including Sunday.  
The man who provides himself with a family and trusts Providence to provide the family with a home and something to eat.  
The man who thinks women are angels.  
The man who thinks a sick wife would feel better if "she'd just get up and stir 'round".  
The man who leaves his wife at home when he takes his summer vacation.  
The man who doesn't know what on earth a woman wants with money when she has bills at the store.

## TWO GOOD LETTERS

From Louisa Bolling  
and Mrs. Byrd Ison.

Dear Editor,

As the Eagle has been arriving at our place for some time and I see so many interesting letters from friends and relatives I will write you. I am 16 years old and like to do housework; I haven't been to school this fall but stay home and let the younger ones go. My mother is dead but have a good stepmother. I hope the Eagle may never stop flying. As this is my first attempt I will close.

Louisa Breeding.

Dear Editor,

As Santa has just passed thro' I will take time to pen a word or so to the noble bird.

I think with the return of the Christmas just passed that our hearts ought to be turned into a brighter glow. Those who have spent this Christmas in the proper spirit no doubt feel the glow of happiness on their brows and will be able to set out in the race of life with renewed energy. And, dear boys and girls, as we go let us all form friends with older people as well as those of our own age. In order to do this we must be kind. Kindness is the milk of human existence. Without it no one can make friends. Therefore, let us all live up to every obligation in every way we can, thereby spreading flowers along our own pathway as well as those of our friends.

Trusting that you have all passed a happy, harmless Christmas and wishing you a bright new year, I am, Resp.,

Mrs. Byrd Ison.

### Sheriff's Sale for Taxes

By virtue of taxes due the state of Kentucky and Letcher county by Letcher Cannel Coal, Iron & Timber Co. for the years of 1904, 1905, 1906, 1907, 1908, I will on Monday, Jan. 11, 1909, being the first day of the January term of Letcher Circuit Court, expose to public sale to the highest and best bidder, for cash in hand, at the Courthouse door in Whitesburg, Ky. between 10 a. m. and 2 p. m. the following described property or so much thereof as will satisfy the taxes, penalties, interest and costs, to-wit: One certain tract or parcel of land in Letcher Co., Ky., and on Camp and Rockhouse fork of Northfork of Kentucky river, being the lands conveyed to Letcher Cannel Coal, Iron & Timber Co. by the Interstate Oil Co. by deed dated July 2, 1902, and recorded in deed book V page 567 Letcher County Court Clerk's office and for full description of said land reference is made to the record in said clerk's office.

Tax, pen. and cost 1904,	\$	547.40
" " " 1905,	"	547.40
" " " 1906,	"	530.90
" " " 1907,	"	578.30
" " " 1908,	"	604.62
Total	\$2,798.62	

Given under my hand this 14th day of Dec. 1908.

C. C. Crawford, S. L. C.

## Simulation Diamonds

Attention is called to the ad of the Barnatto Diamond Co., Chicago, Ill., on page 4 of this issue which is self explanatory. Read it, write them and mention the Eagle.

## THE HOME CIRCLE

Dedicated to Tired Mothers and the Children  
as They Join the Home Circle  
at Evening Tide.

### CRUDE THOUGHTS BY THE EDITOR

Dear reader, just suppose you and I sit down and have an old-fashioned commonsense talk. This you know is 1909, and really the first Sunday in that year—a good time to look back down the calendar and then back up the calendar and see "where we are at." It never pays to linger long on the past, that at its best is gloomy enough, except to check up and pry into where we made our mistakes. Now, you know, dear reader, that it is not wise to repeat the same mistakes over and over. If I made a mistake yesterday I must not do the same thing again today. Even the child that has burned its finger is afraid of fire. Are we less senseless or less wise than the child? It would be difficult to name anything in all the world that is greater than a straightforward, honest, sober man. Man was made that way in the very image of his maker. I like to think of a man of that form and mould—Adam was that, the patriarchs of old were that, Christ was that, the Apostles were that, Bunyan after passing through the forge and the fire was that. And there are other "thats." I think John Knox was that, that many of the Pilgrim Fathers, the heroes of the Revolution, the founders of this nation and the millions of others who have never made a track on history's page were the very embodiment of their designer. How important to us and our generation that we maintain this heritage. We ought not to live in such a way that our children could not after our race is run refer to us with pride. Don't you think so? Be honest now, and say "yes" only if you mean it. Otherwise say, "no; I believe in a man being a dog and not the image of the one who fashioned and formed me." Dear friend, these questions and answers are very pointed but none too much so for this particular age of our lives. And now, ere we part, and since we were aroused only a few mornings ago, in its wee hours, to find ourselves in the dawn of a brand new year, let us, you and I, if God permits us to live, walk in the way that is well-pleasing. Let us stay sober, walk orderly, upright, honest and clean. Let the old year keep forever hid in its archives the foolishness and the follies that so much encumbered us. May every person in the mountains do all he can to spread good influences everywhere, be the honest wish of this humble petitioner.

Speak kindly to your neighbor. Perhaps the nature you have inwardly called morose and selfish is only over-sensitive, and the social word you utter may cause it to unfold and expand, and become indeed a power for good.

### THE GIRL ON THE FARM.

The farmer's girl does not generally realize the advantages she has for self improvement over the society girl or those situated in other positions of life. The freedom and independence of farm life afford opportunities for study which, if rightly employed would develop our farmers' girls into the professional women workers of our times. How is it, girls, and especially you girls on the farm, that we hear so often of the "self made man" (and most of our great men are of that class) and so little of the self made woman? Our farmer boys become great lawyers, statesmen, etc.; have you not the same opportunities as they? The girl who has been raised on the farm, and has aspirations to any of the professions, generally conceives the idea that she must get away from the farm to do her studying, at the very first jump. Do not be too hasty in leaving the farm, where you can keep such perfect health, which is the great requisite to a brilliant mind. And, first of all, before you aspire to any professional work, learn your duties as a housekeeper. Household work will not interfere with study. You require exercise, and there is none better than keeping a farm house. And if you do not wish to take up any profession, study will not harm you; make the most of the talents nature has given you, and when the happy fellow is met your happiness will be of the kind that you will not regret the time you considered wasted in study. Do not be too hasty in running your neck into the matrimonial noose. If you from choice should remain single (do not fear you will have to from necessity) you will find plenty of work to do, plenty of burdens to lighten and plenty of loveless ones upon whom to lavish the wealth of your charitable affections. Be assured that true happiness is not found in living for one's self alone. Do your best, make the most of the material at hand, and at the close of life's journey you will enjoy that peace, that knowledge of a well spent life alone can give.

### A MOTHER'S LOVE.

There is an old legend that runs in this wise: At creation's dawn an angel came down to earth, and before returning looked about for something to carry back to heaven. There were three things that attracted the attention of the white-winged messenger—a bouquet of sweet flowers that had been gathered from one of earth's fair and blooming gardens, the smile of a little baby that had been playing with a sunbeam, and a mother's love. These three the angel carried away, but when it reached the pearly gates of paradise the flowers had withered—the



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Local Notices will be charged for at the rate of five cents per line for first insertion and three cents a line for each succeeding insertion.

### Announcements

**For Circuit Clerk**  
E. L. Baker is a candidate for Clerk of the Letcher Circuit Court subject to the action of the people at the polls.

**For County Court Clerk**  
The Eagle is authorized and paid to announce R. B. Bentley a candidate for County Court Clerk of Letcher county subject to the action of the voters at the November election, 1909.

**For Assessor**  
Armitt Mitchell is a candidate for assessor of Letcher county, to be voted for in November 1909, and solicits your support.

The Eagle is authorized to announce Shade R. (Red) Combs a candidate for Assessor of Letcher county subject to the action of the people at the polls in November, 1909.

**For Jailor**  
The Eagle hereby announces Hiram Williams a candidate for Jailor of Letcher county. Election 1909.

**For Sheriff**  
We are authorized to announce Louis Cook a candidate for sheriff of Letcher county subject to the action of the Republican party.

We are authorized to announce John Isom, (Little John) of Kingdom Come creek, a candidate for sheriff of Letcher county. Nov election 1909.

We are authorized to announce Riley Isom (Red Gid's son) a candidate for Sheriff of Letcher county subject to the voters at Nov. election 1909.

### EDITORIAL.

We have tried to say something to everybody, in a general way except to husbands and now a little lecture to them could not be amiss. We are acquainted with these dear aggravating, indispensable creatures. There is scarcely any chance to live with or without them. There may be plenty of good men but honestly there are but few good husbands, those that are worth the salt that goes in their soup. If your wife has been bending over the hot stove or a sewing machine all day she needs to be taken out horse-back riding occasionally. Don't you go and say we are a fit-subject for a lunatic asylum if we tell you to even take that horse out of the "crap" to do so. There is no more sense in imtemperate work than imtemperate rest or imtemperate anything else. Some of these days you may have to stop longer than an hour to go for a doctor or work longer to pay the bill. You will be sorry some day when those tired hands hold in their stiffened grasp white flowers under a palm that you did not look more after her health and comfort. If she thinks it is too much trouble use your God-given prerogative and make her. You will find it about the cheapest way to keep a cook that will not die on your hands right in the busiest time of the year. And for luck's sake don't go out and fool around the place, just whitening around, till she gets the things cleaned up and then "strut" in and change your clothes and leave them and your old muddy shoes scattered all around everywhere. If you do don't blame anyone if you have the "crossesst wife in the world."

"Honesty is the best policy."  
"A paid-up is the best subscriber."

## QUARTERLY REPORT OF UNION BANK

At Close of Business Dec. 31, 1908.

### RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts	\$ 94 839 30
Overdrafts, unsecured	139 60
Due from National Banks	\$16 172 35
Due from Trust Companies	16 172 35
Banking House and Lot	6 740 28
Stocks and Bonds	3 000 00
Specie	2 573 70
Currency	4 452 00
Other Items carried as Cash	7 025 70
Furniture and fixtures	1 865 50
Current expenses last quarter (charged off)	111 84
(Salaries of officers not paid.)	
	\$129 790 13

### LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in, in cash	\$ 35 000 00
Surplus fund	250 00
Undivided profits	1 709 68
Due depositors as follows, viz:	
Deposits subject to check, on which int. is not paid	\$35 672 70
Deposits subject to check, on which int. is paid	10 496 96
Time certificates of deposit, on which int. is paid	41 903 91
Due National Banks	3 000 00
Cashier's checks outstanding	3 000 00
	1 765 88

### SUPPLEMENTARY

Highest amount of indebtedness of any stockholder, person, company or firm (including in the liability of the company or the firm the liability of the individual members thereof) directly or indirectly, if such indebtedness exceeds 20 per cent. of capital stock actually paid in, and actual amount of surplus of that bank 9 000 00  
How is indebtedness in above item secured? By mortgage on real estate of greater cash value than the loan and free of other encumbrance.  
Amount of last dividend 1 400 00  
Were all expenses, losses, interest and taxes deducted therefrom before declaring dividend, and was not less than 10 per cent. of net profits of the bank for the period covered by the dividend carried to the surplus fund before said dividend was declared? Yes, except salary of officers and county taxes.  
\$129 790 13

STATE OF KENTUCKY, County of Letcher ) ss.

James P. Lewis, President of Union Bank, located and doing business in the town of Whitesburg, in said county, being duly sworn, says the foregoing report is in all respects a true statement of the condition of said bank at close of business Dec. 31, 1908, to the best of his knowledge and belief; and further says that the business of said bank has been conducted at the location named, and the above report is made in compliance with an official notice received from the Secretary of State designating Dec. 31, 1908, as the day on which such report shall be made.

JAMES P. LEWIS, President.  
J. H. FRAZIER, Directors.  
DAVID HAYS,  
M. D. LEWIS,

Subscribed and sworn to before me by James P. Lewis, Jan. 2, 1909.  
R. M. FIELDS, Ex. for Letcher Co.

## J.A. BLAIR'S CASE

We clip the following from the Apache, Okla., Week's Review of date Jan. 1:

"The preliminary hearing of J. A. Blair, charged with the murder of Joe Kearns was held at Anadarko Tuesday. After the state had presented its case Blair's attorney conferred and decided to rest without submitting any evidence. Consequently he was bound over to await the action of the grand jury."

It will be seen from above that Blair acted very sensibly in not presenting his side of the case, since by allowing the prosecution to introduce their testimony he can prepare his side to meet theirs, or in case he should hereafter demand bail force the prosecution to bring out any other testimony they may have.

## Reynolds Paroled

Gov. Wilson a few days ago extended executive clemency to Noah M. Reynolds by having him paroled. It will be remembered that Noah and his brother John were sent to the "pen" from Bell county for the killing of Wm. S. Wright near his home on Boone creek in this county in 1900. Both the Reynolds boys are now at home among their friends.

### A Request

All persons indebted to Ira Fields & Co. for goods purchased of me will please call and settle their accounts. I am no longer connected with the firm, but am responsible for the debts I have created. I am as poor as any of you, and each of you can pay your respective accounts and not hurt you, while it would take every dollar I am worth to pay them for you. Believing that my debtors are my friends I insist that you come to my aid by settling your accounts at once.

I am your friend,  
John M. Fields.

### Tortured on a Horse

"For ten years I couldn't ride a horse without being in torture from piles" writes L. S. Napier of Rugless, Ky., "when all doctors and other remedies failed, Bucklin's Arnica Salve cured me." Infallible for piles, burns, scalds, cuts, boils, fever sores, eczema, salt rheum, corns. 25c; guaranteed by Whitesburg drugstore.

## Arrested In Perry.

Lee Davidson Goes to Scott County Virginia for Trial.

It is reported here that Lee Davidson, a brother to Joe Davidson who was recently sentenced to the penitentiary from this county for the killing of a man by the name of Shepherd, was arrested a few days ago over in the edge of Perry county Kentucky by officers from Scott county Virginia, on a charge of willful murder. Davidson was a married man having only recently married a Creech in the neighborhood of his arrest.

## Disastrous Earthquake

Southern Italy and Sicily have just been visited by an earthquake which probably is the very worst known to history.

The dead number 200,000 and the list still grows. American tourists in large numbers are reported lost. Property loss is enormous.

Congress appropriated the sum of \$800,000 toward the relief of the sufferers.

### A Night Rider's Raid

The worst night riders are calumel, croton oil or aloes pills. They raid your bed to rob you of rest. Not so with Dr. King's New Life Pills. They never distress or inconvenience, but always cleanse the system, curing colds, headache, constipation, malaria, 25c at Whitesburg drug store.

### Supervisors Meet

Supervisors, I. N. Sturgill, E. M. Webb, W. E. Brown, Gabriel Hughes and Stephen Hogg began the supervision of the Assessors Books in the county clerk's office Monday morning. It is a good board, composed of our best citizens, all subscribers to the Eagle and of course will do the right thing for the people and those concerned.

### Here Visiting.

Mrs. Ellen Woodard and her husband, J. W. Woodard, of Waterville, Kans., are here on a few day's visit to Mrs. Woodard's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Long and other friends. We welcome them back to our vicinity and trust their visit may be a pleasant one and long remembered.

Remember to bring in some feed for the Eagle at Court. It needs food.

## SMITH FOUND

It will be remembered that about the middle of last September a young student, Willis E. Smith, mysteriously disappeared from the State College at Lexington. It was at first thought he had been hazed to death and his body secretly disposed of by the hazers. Search was instituted by his friends and large rewards offered to no avail. But it turns out that Smith just decided to leave Lexington and did so and after wandering here and there finally turned up at Owensboro last week, to the happy surprise of his friends and the great relief of State College which was about to suffer the odium of his death.

### How's This?

We offer One Hundred Dollars Reward for any case of catarrh that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure.

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Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. Testimonials sent free. Price 75c per bottle. Sold by all druggists.  
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### Locates Here

T. H. Howard, Jr., a graduate of Richmond (Va.) College, has located here and will engage in the practice of law. His office is with Salyer & Baker, in the new bank building.

### Sees Mother Grow Young

"It would be hard to overstate the wonderful change in my mother since she began to use Electric Bitters" writes Mrs. W. L. Gilpatrick of Danforth, Me. "Although past 70 she seems really to be growing young again. She suffered untold misery from dyspepsia for 20 years. At last she could neither eat, drink nor sleep. Doctors gave her up and all remedies failed till Electric Bitters worked such wonders for her health." They invigorate all vital organs, cure liver and kidney troubles, induce sleep, impart strength and appetite.  
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## Pound, Va.

Frank Mullins went to Wise. Gilbert Mullins is convalescing. J. B. Boggs returned to West Virginia.

Its a fine girl at R. S. Hubbard's.

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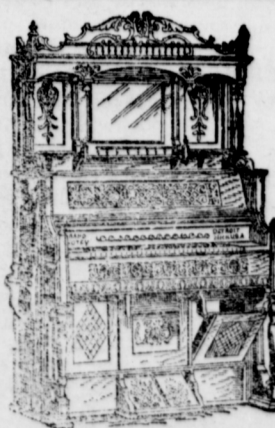
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## Miss Letitia's Way

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"I would like to know to whom Miss Letitia will give that beautiful pinkish mauve crepe de chine," mused Betty Cleveland, she was still called Betty by most people who knew her, and secretly she liked the abbreviation better than the real name Elizabeth.

"Last year she gave Molly a beautiful church and street tailored dress, and this year she has ordered from that perfectly exquisite visiting and reception dress, and one of us will get it, but which one? Miss Letitia's an old dear, and she says it is her way of indulging her love for pretty things her taste tells her is too juvenile for her, though she's handsome enough to wear anything. I hope I will be the fortunate one this year," Betty dimpled and blushed. "I do hope so," naively. "I had as well ask daddy for the moon as for a hand-embroidered crepe, trimmed with flounces of the finest point lace, and hat, gloves, stockings, and slippers to match, and lingerie, hand made, a princess might be glad to wear. I do want that dress, dreadfully, but I will try—more slowly—to rejoice for the one that gets it. Tracy loves that color—one never does know what decides Miss Letitia in favor of the girl she is playing fairy godmother to—I do hope it will be me."

Betty is a dainty southern maiden of the thoroughbred type, colored like a moss rose, and distracting enough to reduce a dozen swains to despair. She, with half a dozen other girls, met at Miss Letitia's once a week, to take lessons in fine sewing from that handsome spinster.

In her trim walking skirt and pink shirtwaist of soft tucked china silk, Betty looked most captivating, and so Tracy Dunlop told her as they walked toward Miss Letitia's handsome home.

"We will never have another misunderstanding, Tracy," Betty assured him for the hundredth time, and while



"I Got It, You See!"

Tracy might be skeptical, he knew his lady too well to express doubt so soon after being restored to favor.

"I hope not, Betty; think Miss Letitia might let a fellow come and see your charming circle. I say, isn't she handsome for an old girl?"

"You mustn't speak so of her, Tracy; she is our godmother, you know. Did you know I am making Little's boy his first short clothes? You should see him, he's such a fine fellow."

"I think Miss Letitia's a brick; must you go in; can't I go to the door with you?" he entreated, as they paused at the gate.

"No," said Betty, obstinately. "Then, wait a moment—you do care for me a little, don't you, sweetheart?" "Yes, when you are a good boy," and with that shaft, she sped up the walk to join Miss Letitia and her flock already assembled in the spacious airy sitting room.

Miss Letitia Houghton was a handsome, well-preserved woman of fifty-five or six, with a fine figure, and a splendid head of silvery hair, very becoming to her rosy cheeks and bright eyes. Everything about her was sumptuous; her dress of violet velvet and point lace made her look like a chateaufort of an ancient castle, surrounded by her maidens. The resemblance was further enhanced by the carved chair in which she sat enthroned, as it were.

By what means Miss Letitia would arrive at her decision regarding the dress, none knew; what it was they did, or left undone, or what they did to commend themselves to her, they never knew. She did not decide by their skill at needlework, or by their prompt attendance, so they were totally in the dark.

"Laggard Betty," exclaimed Miss Letitia, playfully, enjoying, as she always did, the girl's fresh bluntness. "Luncheon will be ready in half an hour or so; make up for lost time; Betty, those hand-run tucks, feather stitched, are beautifully done."

"You see, Tracy tagged along, and when he's with you the distance is much farther; you get to chatting you know."

"Yes, my dear, I know; I have been young."

"When I am coming to those highly prized lessons, my foot are winged," murmured the correct Myra.

"Yes," observed Miss Letitia, with a quick glance from her gold-rimmed glasses at the quiet figure, "you were never five minutes late at an appointment in your life, Myra."

Her white jeweled hand rested on Betty's curly dark brown head. Encouraged by that she thought was high praise, the correct Myra proceeded to give her friends a highly moral lesson:

"Jane, I was so sorry to hear what I heard to-day."

"I do not know what you mean," replied Jane.

"Why, that your brother—you know people talk so much—I heard he had been wild at college and your father had sent for him to come home."

"Brother has been studying too hard, and papa took him from college," said Jane Pegram.

"Really?" incredulously, "then the story of high playing wasn't true! Lucia, I hope your father wasn't very angry at your being out driving so late last night."

"A shaft broke and detained us, but I had been home an hour when you drove by with Luther Awkright."

There was general laughter at this thrust, and the correct Myra was covered with confusion a moment; then she said:

"Mr. Awkright took me to see one of my poor girls who wasn't well."

"Luther Awkright paying visits to that kind!" ejaculated Deborah; none believed Myra.

"Judge not—we know the rest. Betty, why did Tracy leave his place so suddenly? Is it true he was dismissed?"

The face of every girl was flaming, and Miss Letitia spoke with authority.

"Children, do not recriminate; let your needles fly, but don't handle any other sharp things. Myra, learn charity before you preach it. Betty, trust that Tracy has a good reason for giving up his place."

"I do, Miss Letitia."

"We will go to luncheon. Put up your work."

A week later, a vision in pinkish mauve and lace danced into the Cleveland drawing room, and as Tracy caught the girlish form in his arms, Betty exclaimed breathlessly:

"I got it, you see, the dress I told you about, Tracy," earnestly, "I'm so glad you've a place on Mr. Brown's editorial staff."

"Yes, dearest, that is vindication enough; from my late employer I have a written statement that my discharge was for nothing derogatory."

"I was sure of that. Isn't my dress lovely? Look at it, sir, and not at me."

"It's beautiful, but not half so beautiful as its wearer."

Miss Letitia sent each girl a handsome bound copy of "The School for Scandal," inclosed in a large box.

"She'll make the application, or she's not as quick as I thought her; girlish follies I can condone, but prudery and spite in a girl not 22 I have no patience with. Here comes Betty in her crepe, with that fellow, Tracy."

Ah, well, who can say an old maid is lonely, when she has young friends to mother, and give a dot to their marriage. Come in to your godmother, children."

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Seated at a window on the ground floor of a flat in the middle of the block was an old woman. She wore a neat white scarf around her shoulders and a white cap on her white hair. There were many lines in her face.

As she sat there, passersby knew at a glance that she was waiting. Her tired old eyes dimly conveyed to the tired old brain the panorama of life passing out in front, but her interest in the general aspect of the surroundings was plainly of a listless character.

"An old mother," mused a man who saw her. "She has done her work and is waiting for the long rest. Her children reared, probably, in comparative comfort by the labor of her hands are caring for her in the time of her decline."

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And so the man went his way, lost in his own surmises and pleasant deductions. The old woman had not seen him. Her attitude of attention suddenly changed to one of alert inquiry.

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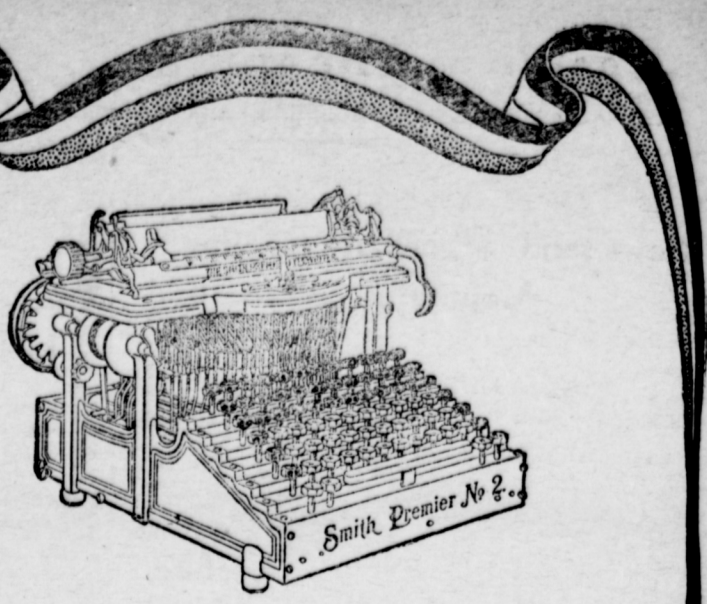
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